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*** DON'T MISS OUR NEXT MEETING ***

WHEN: SATURDAY, JANUARY 28th, 1989

WHERE: MARYLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY
201 West Monument Street
Baltimore, Maryland

TIME: 12:00 Noon - 3:00 p.m.

- * Just two blocks from the Washington Monument
- * We will tour the society's library after the meeting
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APRIL MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE TRI-CLUB SHOW IN NEW CARROLLTON

The President's Message

Bill Miller



1988 has been the year of the meeting! With six meetings (two on Sundays) behind us, we have been meeting at a torrid pace. It is always fun to get together with fellow collectors and friends. Hopefully, more of our members will come out to future meetings and join in the fun.

Our last meeting was held at the Associated Coin Clubs Show in eastern Baltimore County. Our next meeting will be held at the Maryland Historical Society in downtown Baltimore. I am personally excited about the prospect of looking through their reference library and possibly identifying some Maryland Mavericks. Hope to see you there!

Members have been reluctant to step forward and run for office for the 1989-91 term. Therefore, the slate of officers will see little change from the past term:

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As usual, anyone who wishes to run for office should contact Bryce or me. Voting will be done at the April meeting.

Will Mumford has agreed to continue as editor of the Journal, but he needs our help! The Journal is the lifeline of our club, so write an article and share some information.... Finally, have you thought about giving a Maryland Merchants Tokens catalog as a Christmas gift? It's a great way to help educate a friend as you help your club. I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.....

From The Editor

Will Mumford



Christmas is such a wonderful time of the year. Good cheer, beautiful decorations, parties, good eats, good will and gifts.... Numismatist open their arms to the latter. What great opportunities to spread numismatic clues about the house for your spouse...like it says in the famous Christmas poem....

T'was the night before Christmas,
And all through the house,
The numismatist spread gift clues,
For his non-numismatist spouse....

From experience I know it pays to give your family a little guidance when it comes to numismatic gifts...otherwise you may end up with another Red Book, a circulated German pfenning or a slabbed picker check. There's a bundle of good stuff on the numismatic gift market... you need only to flip through the pages of current coin publications to find them.....

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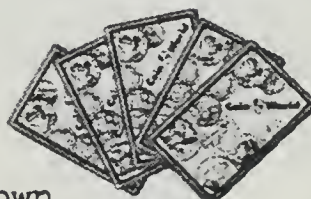
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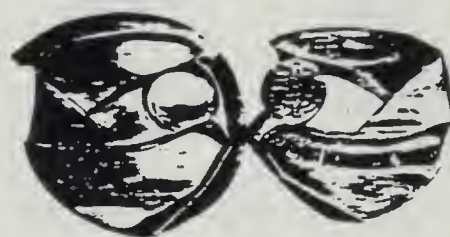
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All these great gifts, no doubt, leaves one enthusiastically
confused and frustrated that they can't have them all!

The best gift of all would be a book... and what better
choice could one make than to give...or get.. our own
Maryland Merchant Tokens...if you already have a copy you could
give one to your spouse... or special friend... who knows, you
might just convert them to the ways of a numismatist....
Good luck with the gifts and do have a great holiday season
and a Happy Numismatic Year....



TOKEN POTPOURRI.....

MILLARD W. HAJEK LM#1

My previous TOKEN POTPOURRI column featured errors on tokens and that theme is continued in this issue.

MORE ERRORS.....

MORE ERRORS.....

Spelling of names appears to be the demise of some diesinkers. While in the process of engraving dies was the diesinker so intent on mastering his craft of creating the die that the correct spelling often times eluded him or was he just suffering the affects of a celebrated weekend? Who really knows? Shown below are some examples of diesinker errors. These errors were uncovered when the tokens were attributed in the Baltimore Directories.

Christopher Lolito operated a confectionary store during the 1920's at 2454 E. Eager Place in Baltimore. The diesinker chose to spell his name LOTITO on the token instead of the proper spelling LOLITO. (S 60-L195).



Another "not so obvious" misspelling of a name appears on the J. J. MEYER & CO token (S 60-M120). The proper spelling of the surname is MYER. Apparently the business was formed by Adam J. Gosman and John J. Myer and tokens issued for each are quite similar. The Gosman token is S 60-G85a.



Joseph Pospisil operated a saloon at 2112 E. Monument Street during the 1890's and early 1900's. A spelling error exists in his name on the token were the diesinker added an extra "L" and spelled it POSPISILL instead of POSPISIL. (S 60-P105).



Robert Soulsby was listed in the Directories as proprietor of the Vauxhall Tavern from 1840 to 1845. The token show above shows the misspelling as VOUX HALL instead of VAUX HALL. (S 60-S275). Benjamin Jury became proprietor of the establishment located on Light Street in 1848. His token shows the proper spelling. (S 60-J85).

Some diesinkers also had some problems spelling town names. Some token errors with misspelled towns are illustrated below.

The Mar-del Canning Co. of BARCLAY suddenly found itself located in BARCKLY and not to out done, the Mar-del Canning Co. of CARVILLE was shown as residing in CARVEL, MD. These tokens are S 65-M5 and S 195-M5 respectively.



Not to be out done by the towns on the Eastern Shore, Western Maryland has several candidates of its' own with misspelled town names.

The BUCKEYSTOWN PACKING CO., leads the way with the spelling on the token appearing as BUCKEYESTOWN. (S 165-B5). Buckeystown is a small community located just South of Frederick, Md. And just West of Cumberland in the community of LONACONING is a token issued for the White Way Inn which spells the town as LUNACONING. (S550-W5c). These tokens are shown below.



I'm sure that other errors exist on tokens that are listed in the MARYLAND Merchant Tokens book by Dave Schenkman. And others out there waiting to be discovered. This is just a brief glimpse of tokens containing errors and is an interesting aside to our hobby of collecting tokens. Hopefully these TOKEN POTPOURRI columns will challenge you to read the book and discover some other error types that I did not list. My list is included below. How many did you find?

Watchout for other articles about tokens of Maryland in future TOKEN POTPOURRI columns. If you have some suggestions on topics you'd like me to pursue, let me know. All ideas whether big or small are greatly appreciated.

S60-L195	S60-P105	S195-M5	S285-B5	S60-S260-10
S60-H75	S60-M190	S65-M5	S550-W5c	S930-S5
S50-A10	S60-M120	S60-S275	S165-B5	S975-B11 & B12

My list of tokens containing errors.

MARYLAND AT THE PAN PACIFIC EXPOSITION

BY RUSS SEARS

ELECTRICITY WAS STILL A NOVEL NEW IDEA. THE AUTOMOBILE WAS IN ITS INFANCY. JUST A FEW YEARS AGO IN 1906, SAN FRANCISCO HAD SUFFERED A DEVESTATING EARTHQUAKE AND FIRE.

THE YEAR WAS 1910 WHEN THE PANAMA PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION COMPANY WAS CHARTERED. A GREAT EXPOSITION WOULD BE HELD IN 1915 TO CELEBRATE THE REBUILDING OF THE CITY, TO COMMEMORATE THE 400TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DISCOVERY OF THE PACIFIC OCEAN, AND TO COMMEMORATE THE OPENING OF THE PANAMA CANAL. TWO AND ONE HALF MILES ALONG SAN FRANCISCO BAY AND A TOTAL OF 635 ACRES WOULD BE USED FOR THE CELEBRATION.

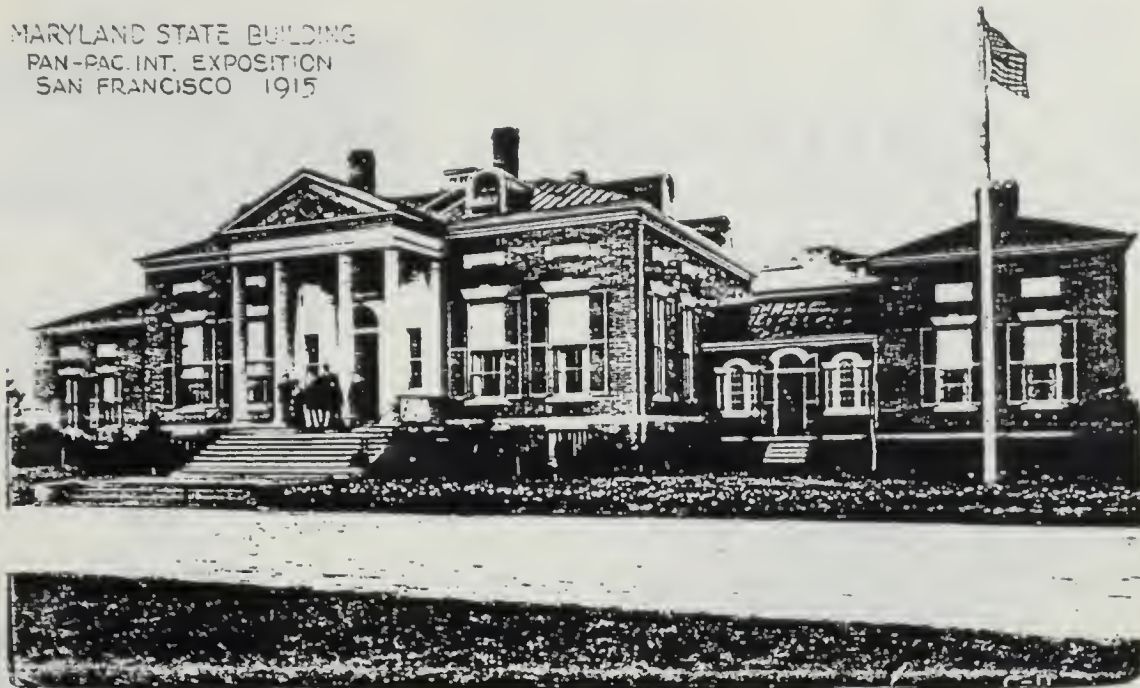
IN ADDITION TO STOCK SALES OF \$7,500,000, BOND ISSUES TOTALING \$10,000,000 WERE MADE BY SAN FRANCISCO AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. A FIVE MILLION DOLLAR GRANT, INCLUDING THE COST OF THEN DISPLAYS, WAS MADE BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. THE CALIFORNIA COUNTRIES CONTRIBUTED \$3,000,000 TO THE EXPOSITION.



POSTCARD

ON OCTOBER 14, 1911, PRESIDENT TAFT WAS PRESENT FOR THE GROUND BREAKING. WHEN THE EXPOSITION WAS OPENED BY PRESIDENT WOODROW WILSON ON FEBRUARY 20, 1915, IT INCLUDED 11 EXHIBITION PALACES AND 240 OTHER BUILDINGS. THERE WERE 80,000 EXHIBITS INCLUDING THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, 42 STATES AND TERRITORIES, 58 CALIFORNIA COUNTIES, 42 FOREIGN COUNTRIES, AND MANY PRIVATE COMPANIES.

MARYLAND STATE BUILDING
PAN-PAC. INT. EXPOSITION
SAN FRANCISCO 1915



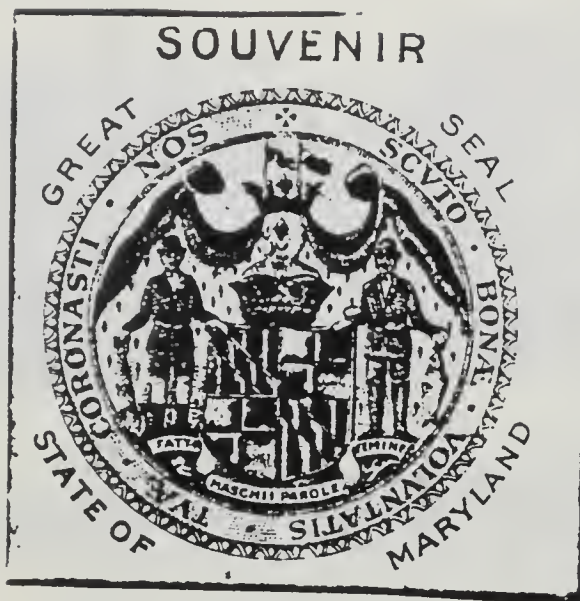
POSTCARD

INCLUDED IN THE LIST OF EXHIBITORS WERE THE STATE OF MARYLAND AND THE MARYLAND CASUALTY COMPANY. PROMOTING THE STATE AND GIVING VISITORS INFORMATION ABOUT THE STATE WAS THE PURPOSE OF THE MARYLAND STATE BUILDING WHICH WAS PARTIALLY FINANCED BY THE SALE OF MEDALS (HK407). THE MARYLAND CASUALTY EXHIBIT PROMOTED THE SALE OF LIABILITY, HEALTH, AND AUTO INSURANCE. LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR THE EXPOSITION WAS WRITTEN BY MARYLAND CASUALTY.

BY THE TIME IT CLOSED ON DECEMBER 4, 1915, 18,000,000 PEOPLE (13,000,000 PAID) HAD ATTENDED THE EXPOSITION.



MARYLAND SOUVENIR DOLLAR
(HK407)



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SOME OF THE SOUVENIR
DOLLARS



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BALTIMORE AMERICAN
NEWSPAPER, AND FORMER
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USF&G DINING ROOM TOKEN REVISITED

By Millard W. Hajek LM# 1

"MYSTERY OF THE USF&G DINING ROOM TOKEN SOLVED"

In the Winter 1981 VOL III NO. 2 issue of the MD TAMS Journal, Vernon Taylor wrote an article on the "United States Fidelity And Guaranty Company Token And Medal". Recently, I received a call from Carolyn M. Maynard, Archival Researcher, employed by USF&G who has gathered additional information about the token in the Taylor article. The token is illustrated below.



OB: U.S.F. & G. / DINING ROOM

RV: Blank

BRASS 29MM ROUND

Schenkman # 60-U25

The following information was obtained by Ms Maynard from a telephone conversation with James Lyle Beauchamp, a retired employee of USF&G and is used here with her permission. The conversation clarifies some of the assumptions previously made about the use of the Dining Room token and also dates its' use in the 1930's instead of the 1906-1920 era as previously thought.

"In the early days, in the cafeteria at the home office, employees would pay 1/3 the costs and the company would pay 2/3s". (AT this time the home office was located on the Southwest corner of Calvert and Redwood Streets.) "Married girls (employees) would have their husbands down for lunch. Then, employees from C&P and B&O started coming over to the cafeteria and that caused trouble because no one could tell who was entitled to the reduction in costs". (C&P had offices at 108 E. Lexington and 5 Light Streets and B&O offices were at the corner of Charles and Baltimore Streets. Both locations were in close walking distance to the USE&G offices.) "Mr. Hermna Badenhop, his former boss gave him several coins that were used as tokens in the cafeteria. In the early 1930's, these tokens were used to control the cafeteria. They were used as identification to get into the cafeteria. They were not used as coinage for paying."

This is a very interesting conversation and adds some additional knowledge of tokens throught some diligent research. Here we have an example of a resource as well as another use of a token.

My thanks to Carolyn Maynard for sharing this bit of history with us.



by WILL MUMFORD
MD TAMS LM-18

A Continuing Study of Anne Arundel County Farm Pickers Checks.

Most of the people that I have talked to regarding the life of the pickers on the berry farms describe their experiences as one of excitement, drama; an adventure likened to a summer camping experience. They looked forward to the summer picking season so they could escape the busy, crowded life of the city and enjoy the fresh air and openness of the farm. The pickers and the farmers both speak of the warmth of their relationships and how many of them kept track of each other long after their picking days were over.

I admit that after finding actual photographs of the inside of the shanties, I did see some resemblance to my old Boy Scout camping days. But I couldn't help wonder if there was a moral issue made of the conditions provided by the farmers. I then found my answer from the pages of The Evening Capital, May 30, 1913 with the following article:

ATTACKS MEN WHO HIRE BERRY-PICKERS
Rev. Joseph Wise Declares Hands Are Forced
To Live Like Cattle. - CALLS GOV. TO INVESTIGATE.
Preacher Says City Suffers From Condition
Which Exists In County At Present.

"Farmers of Anne Arundel county who send money for foreign missions to help the heathen would do well to use the money at home to give the berry-pickers human conditions of habitation," said Rev. Joseph Wise, a Methodist Polish missionary, who has just made a visit to many of the patches and has inspected the shacks.

This year and last year Rev. Mr. Wise has visited in all over sixty shacks and has found almost all of them worse than any laboring conditions he has met with in any foreign country. He believes that in some respects the conditions are worse than those in the heathen lands.

"What I am saying now," he declared, "I have said to the faces of the farmers themselves.

I have preached in churches there and have condemned from the pulpit the conditions, but even the best of the farmers seem to think that anything that is good enough for a dog is good enough for Polish berry-pickers. The Governor of the State should appoint a commission to investigate conditions in Anne Arundel shacks, if he wants to know what is one of the chief causes of increasing immorality and vice.

"Men, women and children, with out regard to modesty, are compelled to live together and to undress and dress together. The people by the hundred are herded just as the cattle are herded, and if anything the cattle are the better cared for. The poorest of the people who go to pick the berries have a sense of shame and a love for decency. This they are compelled to lay aside. In the foreign countries from which they come there would not be permitted any such conditions.

"The people are reduced to the level of animals. It means great distress to these people. They feel the shame of it keenly. Out of it grows the worst forms of vice. The farmers seem to throw the people together without regard to consequences. The farmers know these consequences. They learn of the results, and they say only: 'Well, the people are just like dogs.' They have told me that.

"Here is one reason the people of the city should try to enforce through State legislation some higher humanity among these employers. The vice that starts on these farms counts against the city eight or nine months a year. People who are degraded on these farms and in these shacks are that much harder to be dealt with back in their homes. The good that missionaries and other agencies do at other seasons is undone at this time. The people of Baltimore through official and unofficial agencies, suffer and pay the price for this wholesale damage of character.

"If anything is done it must be done by the Governor of the State or by the Legislature through an investigation. The farmers, themselves, although devoutly religious and generous in supporting foreign missions, refuse to listen to any suggestion for improving conditions. Knowing as I do what the conditions are, I try to prevent the people going to those places to work, and other social workers join in trying to keep the people in the city.

"But the poor people need this money and they earn it. They deserve to have better conditions and the State should rise up and protest against the present outrages that are committed on these farms."

The wonderful outing to the farms may not have been as wonderful as is now supposed. It occurs to me that most of the pickers that survive today were children when they left the city to live on the farms. No doubt, the summer was more adventure than labor through the eyes of a child.

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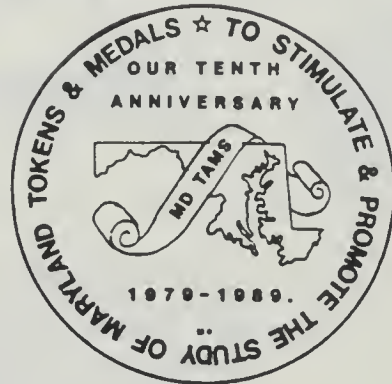
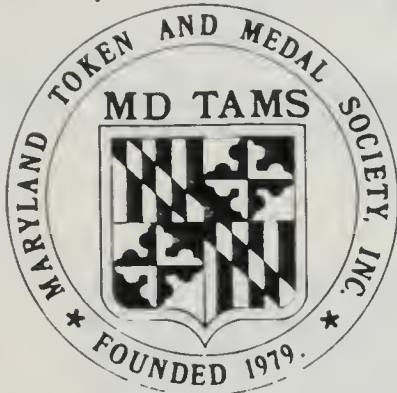
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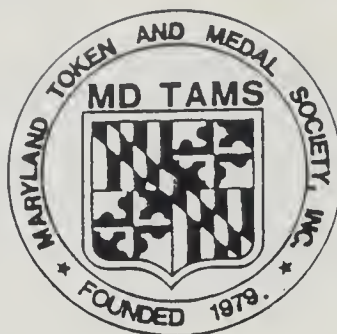
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MARYLAND MERCHANT TOKENS

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